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Sir:

Transmitted herewith for filing is the patent application of Inventor(s) **LUCA FERRI AND LUIGI PICCHETTI**

**For A METHOD OF AUTHENTICATING DIGITALY ENCODED PRODUCTS WITHOUT PRIVATE KEY SHARING**

**ASSIGNEE NAME: INTERNATIONAL BUSINESS MACHINES CORPORATION**  
**ASSIGNEE RESIDENCE: ARMONK, NEW YORK**

Enclosed are also:

19 Pages of Specification including an Abstract  
 7 Pages of Claims  
 5 Sheet(s) of Drawings (formals)  
 A Declaration and Power of Attorney  
 Form PTO 1595 and assignment of the invention to IBM Corporation  
 *Certified copy of European Patent No. 03368021.6, dated 31/01/03*

**CLAIMS AS FILED**

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Total Claims	19	-20	X \$ 18	= \$
Independent Claims	13	3	X \$ 86	= 1118 .
Multiple Dependent Claims	0		X \$290	= \$0
<b>Total Filing Fee</b>				<b>\$1888 .</b>

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